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Sports give us courage, determination to achieve impossible: LG Sinha

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Saturday inaugurated the 5th edition of Kashmiri Pandit Premier League (KPPL) at MA Stadium, Jammu.

In his address, the Lieutenant Governor extended his felicitations and best wishes to all the players participating in one of the biggest cricket tournaments in Jammu.

"Life is best defined by sports. One of the main objectives of life is to maintain a fine balance between body, mind and soul and this is what sports teaches us," the Lieutenant Governor observed.

He said, the sports field inspires us to convert dreams into action and performance so that the society can become more energetic.

"Sports gives us courage and determination to

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LG Manoj Sinha addressing at the inauguration ceremony of 5th edition of Kashmiri Pandit Premier League Cricket Tournament in Jammu on Saturday.

- ▶▶ LG inaugurates 5th edition of Kashmiri Pandit Premier League (KPPL) in Jammu
- ▶▶ Congratulates Lalitaditya Sports, Education & Health Organization on its endeavour to promote sports
- ▶▶ Life is best defined by sports. One of main objectives of life is to maintain a fine balance between body, mind and soul and this is what sports teaches us
- ▶▶ Sports gives us dreams and provides strength to fulfil those dreams
- ▶▶ I have great faith in youth of Jammu Kashmir. It is our collective responsibility to provide them with necessary opportunities and handholding and empower them to contribute to realise vision of Viksit Bharat

Reviews snow clearance; restoration of power, water supply across J&K CM urges officials to take swift action to restore essential services

STATE TIMES NEWS

GANDERBAL: Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Saturday convened a video conference meeting with all district across Jammu and Kashmir to review snow clearance operations and restoration of essential services following heavy snowfall in the Kashmir Valley.

The meeting held at the video conference hall in Ganderbal, was attended in person by Advisor to the CM Nasir Aslam Wani, Deputy Commissioner Ganderbal Shyambir, ADC Ganderbal, and other senior district officials. Chief Secretary, Divisional Commissioners of Kashmir and Jammu, and Deputy Commissioners from all districts participated via video conferencing.

The snowfall, which began yesterday, has disrupted normal life in many districts across the valley.

During the meeting, Deputy Commissioners pre-



Chief Minister Omar Abdullah personally monitoring snow clearance operations at Ganderbal on Saturday.

Omar inspects facilities at Ganderbal Hospital

GANDERBAL: Following heavy snowfall across the Kashmir Valley, Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Saturday visited District Hospital Ganderbal and assessed the facilities and services available to patients during the inclement weather.

During his visit, the Chief Minister inspected various units of the hospital and reviewed the availability of essential medicines, staff on duty and the functionality of the central heating system.

The Medical Superintendent briefed the Chief Minister on the hospital's preparedness to ensure patient care, confirming that the central heating system is fully operational.

However, he also highlighted challenges such as a shortage of medical staff and ambulances in the district.

In response, the CM reiterated ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

sent updates on snow clearance, restoration of power and water supply and emergency response to deal with inclement weather.

The Chief Minister directed Deputy Commissioners to personally supervise snow clearance operations, emphasizing the need to obtain photographic evidence of cleared areas to ensure thorough removal and prevent freezing road condition as temperatures drop.

He called for a proactive approach, urging officials to deploy adequate manpower and machinery on the ground.

District administrations were instructed to provide two-hourly updates to the CM's office and the Chief Secretary's office to keep the government apprised of the situation.

The Chief Engineer of Public Health Engineering (PHE) informed the

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CB files charge-sheet in embezzlement case

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Special Crime Wing (SCW) of Crime Branch Jammu on Saturday produced another Challan in an embezzlement case against one Vinod Kumar, who had embezzled the cash meant for ATM Chest.

Sharing details, SSP SCW Jammu Sanjay Parihar said the bank authorities had reported a matter of embezzlement in cash by one of their employees, who was supposed to deposit the cash in the ATM chest.

Accordingly, Parihar said, a case under relevant sections

of law was registered at Police Station Domana against the Bank employee, namely Vinod Kumar, son of Sham Lal, resident of Q. No.108, Janipur colony, Jammu at present Thather Bantalab, who by committing criminal breach of trust had embezzled money worth Rs. 23,84,400, which was meant to be deposited in the chest of the ATM and thereby cheated his employer.

The SSP said that the case was initially investigated by local police but later on transferred to

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Heavy snowfall disrupts life in Kashmir Female tourist killed in Ramban; 6 stranded on Mughal Road rescued; flights, rail services in Valley suspended; NH closed

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Normal life was thrown out of gear in Kashmir on Saturday as most areas of the valley received snowfall, disrupting flight and railway operations and also leading to the closure of the Srinagar-Jammu National Highway, officials said.

A female tourist was killed after a boulder rolled down a hilltop and struck a mini bus on the Jammu-Srinagar national highway in Ramban district, officials said.

The incident occurred in



JCB engaged in snow clearance work on Jammu-Srinagar Highway at Ramban.

the landslide-prone Mehar area, where a rock hit the window of the mini bus, causing

severe head injuries to the woman seated inside on Friday night, they said.

The injured woman was rushed to the district hospital in Ramban, where doctors declared her dead on arrival, they added.

The mini bus was en route to Ramban from Jammu at the time of the incident.

Police identified the deceased as Ruby Agarwal, a resident of Uttar Pradesh.

Moderate to heavy snowfall was recorded across Kashmir since Friday, including the season's first snowfall in Srinagar city and other plain areas of the valley.

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241 overage aspirants to appear for SI selection process in J&K

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) on Saturday directed the Jammu and Kashmir Services Selection Board to allow 241 overage aspirants to take part in the selection process for sub-inspectors in the police department.

However, the CAT's Jammu bench, comprising Rajinder Singh Dogra (Judicial Member) and Ram Mohan

Johri (Administrative Member), also said that the results of these applicants shall be kept in a sealed cover by the

board, which shall await further orders from the tribunal, Sheikh Shakeel Ahmad, one of the lawyers representing the applicants, said.

The JKSSB held the sub-inspector recruitment exam on March 27, 2022, but the selected list of 1,200 candidates, along with 1,300 junior engineers and 1,000 finance account assistants, was cancelled by the J&K administration in July following allegations of paper leak and malpractice.

The CBI, which was given charge of the case,

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Former PM Manmohan Singh cremated with full state honours

STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: Former prime minister Manmohan Singh, who led India to the path of economic liberalisation in the 1990s, was cremated with full state honours here on Saturday in the presence of top dignitaries from the country and abroad.

Singh's funeral pyre was lit by his eldest daughter, Upinder Singh, at the Nigambodh Ghat as family members, friends and digni-



President Droupadi Murmu, PM Narendra Modi, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and Home Minister Amit Shah during state funeral of former PM Manmohan Singh at Nigambodh Ghat in New Delhi on Saturday.

taries bid farewell to the reformist former prime minister.

President Droupadi Murmu, the supreme commander of the armed forces, led the nation in paying last respects to the departed leader.

Priests and family members recited religious hymns from the holy Gurbani, while chants of "Satnam Waheguru" filled the air,

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Rahul Gandhi's denial and acknowledgement of Bharat Mata

JAMMU: The Gandhian seion and Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi is not as confused or wayward as he appears to be. He is a clever and, sorry to say, a mischievous politician, hell bent on fragmenting India into bits and pieces. Among other things, he spoke or posted on X about former Prime Minister Dr Manohar Singh, the latest one gives a different spin to the national loss when he posts in Hindi (loose English translation): "The great son of Mother India (Bharat Mata) and the first Prime Minister from the Sikh community, Dr. Manmohan Singh ji has been totally insulted by the present government by performing his last rites today at the Nigambodh Ghat. He was the Prime Minister of India for a decade, during his tenure the country became an economic superpower and his policies are still the support of the poor and backward classes of the country. Till date,

respecting the dignity of all former Prime Ministers, their last rites were performed at authorized cremation sites so that every person could have the last darshan and pay homage without any inconvenience. Dr. Manmohan Singh deserves our highest respect and a memorial. The government should

Who is Bharat Mata? questions Rahul Gandhi We raise this slogan called "Bharat Mata Ki Ja". I raise this slogan; you raise this slogan. But who is this 'Bharat Mata'?

have shown respect to this great son of the country and his proud community".

Here is how his utterances are mischievous: The son of the former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi, credited with having said when a big tree falls, earth shakes over the massacre and genocide of Sikhs in Delhi in 1984 at the behest of senior Congressmen after the assassination of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, he gives a different spin by blaming Narendra Modi Government of not having announced any memorial where the last rites of Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh could be performed. He is wrong as the

Union Cabinet had already taken a decision in this regard yesterday while condoling the demise of Dr Manmohan Singh. Secondly, he has described Dr Singh as the son of Mother India or Bharat Mata, whose existence itself he had questioned months back when he stoked controversy over his rhetorical question, "What is Bharat Mata?"

The juxtaposition of Rahul Gandhi's earlier question on Bharat Mata and the latest proclamation speaks volumes about his mental frame. By the way, he or any of the Congress leaders never sought such a type of recognition for President Pranab Mukherjee or Prime Minister P V Narsimha Rao. The mortal remains of Mr Rao were as not reportedly allowed to be taken to the Congress headquarters for Antim Darshan. What hypocrisy and selective treatment. Dr Manmohan Singh lives in the hearts of Indians for his contributions, no matter the politics being played by Rahul Gandhi and his ilk. He and his fellow Congressmen are doing disservice to the great son of Bharat Mata Dr Manmohan Singh by provoking valiant Sikh community against the Modi dispensation.

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